Arapahoe County endorses Colorado-based U.S. Space Command

LITTLETON – The Arapahoe County Board of Commissioners added its support to a growing list of local and regional organizations seeking to secure U.S. Space Command in Colorado. Colorado houses the Defense Department’s center of gravity for space operations: U.S. Northern Command and the U.S. Air Force Space Command, as well as three of its five active-duty space wings. These existing space missions and assets can help advance a coordinated national effort that addresses emerging space threats.

“As an ambassador to United States Air Force 460th Space Wing Space Command Commander’s Group, I’ve seen first-hand the benefits of capitalizing on overlapping capacity and capabilities,” said Commissioner Bill Holen. “Basing U.S. Space Command in Colorado will allow even greater coordination of national security and space interests to meet transformative space threats.”

In their letter to U.S. Air Force Secretary Wilson, the Board of Commissioners cited Colorado’s depth of workforce talent, pioneering industry, higher education institutions, national laboratories, and quality of life as assets for basing U.S. Command in Colorado. The complete letter is available online: https://www.arapahoegov.com/DocumentCenter/View/7981/US-Space-Command-Support

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